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THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
WASHINGTON, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO SPECIES ELECTION

Applicant responds as follows to the Species Election as set forth in the Office Letter dated September 7, 2001.

In response to the Species Election, Applicant elects the following species according to the characteristics defined in the Office Letter. This election is made with the understanding that upon allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim.

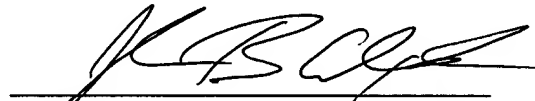
1. Amino acid sequences listed in claim 24: SEQ ID NO: 64;
2. Species: polypeptide; and
3. Radiolabels listed in claim 22: ¹²⁵I.

Claims corresponding to those elections include claims 21-27.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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